

# WORLD ONLINE CHAMPIONSHIP

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BRIDGE BASE ONLINE CHINA BRIDGE ONLINE



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# The GOAL.

- Bridge, the best known and most played worldwide card game is embracing eSports by offering **the first big World Online Championship (WOC)**.
- The World Bridge Federation in close partnership with FunBridge and BBO, the **two main online bridge providers** will jointly organize this event in 2020. **THE 1st WORLD ONLINE CHAMPIONSHIP.**
- This competition will be an **official one**.
- The winner or winners will be awarded the title of **WORLD ONLINE CHAMPION.**

**WHEN**  
From May 2020  
to November 2020

**WHO**  
Every bridge player  
in the world



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## Some KEY FIGURES!

ALREADY

+ 50

MILLION  
BRIDGE  
PLAYERS  
IN THE WORLD

MORE THAN

2

MILLION  
REGULAR  
ONLINE  
PLAYERS!

MORE THAN

10 000

PLAYERS EXPECTED  
FOR THIS FIRST  
ONLINE WORLD  
CHAMPIONSHIP!





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## Some KEY FIGURES!

3 DAYS FINAL SHOW

500

BEST PLAYERS  
FULLY INVITED  
FOR A LIVE  
FINAL DURING  
3 CRAZY DAYS!

MORE THAN

500K U\$

A TOTAL CASH PRIZE  
OF 500K U\$ AND A 100K U\$  
FOR THE WINNER:  
HIGHEST EVER CASH PRIZE  
FOR A BRIDGE TOURNAMENT!



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# 2 phases FROM MAY TO NOVEMBER

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PHASE 1

A FIRST PHASE  
OF QUALIFICATION  
FROM MAY  
TO SEPTEMBER 2020  
*5 months*

A LIVE FINAL PHASE

3 DAYS OF COMPETITION  
LOCATION TBD

A LARGE NUMBER  
OF QUALIFIED PLAYERS  
FOR THE FINAL: 500\*

*November 2020*

\*TARGET

# *Qualification* HOW WILL THIS WORK

## THE RULE

**Every player**, good or bad,  
young or more senior,  
no matter where in the world they  
are based **CAN participate** and  
become a World Champion!

## WHERE

To enter, the qualification phase  
will be online only on:

- **FunBridge**

- **BBO** (Bridge Base Online)

- **CBO** (China Bridge Online)

The player can chose **which platform** they  
**prefer to use**, ensuring that it's easy for every  
player to find a place to play.





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# Qualification HOW WILL THIS WORK UP TO 500 QUALIFY!

- Players will have to subscribe  
to an WOC entry fee pack to participate
- A WOC pack contains 30 tournaments per month
  - \* SEE ALL RULES ON THE NEXT PAGE

## PLATFORMS



BBO  
CBO  
FUNBRIDGE

## DURING THE 5 MONTHS

## QUALIFICATIONS

- Up to 500 players  
qualify for the Finals
- =



A number of players,  
depending on the total  
number of participants  
will qualify based on  
their best 60 tournaments

## PER MONTH

A number of players,  
depending on the number  
of participants will qualify  
based on their best 20  
tournaments



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# How this will work

## BASIC RULES

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- Rules are **the same** on each platform.
- A WOC entry pack contains **30 x 12-board tournaments**.
- Price for a **WOC entry pack** 900 Diamonds in FunBridge's virtual currency
- Each WOC pack bought during the month must be played during the **same calendar month**.



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# How this will work

## BASIC RULES

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- All tournaments will be **12 boards**.
- All tournaments can be played at **any time in the month**.
- All tournaments **will be closed** at the end of each calendar month.
- The **number of qualified players** will be announced.



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# How this will work BASIC RULES

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- The number of qualified players on each platform will be **proportional to the number of participants** by platform.
- Every month, **some players will qualify based on their best 20 tournaments**, and at the end of the 5 months others will qualify based on their best 60 tournaments to give approximately 500 players in the Final.



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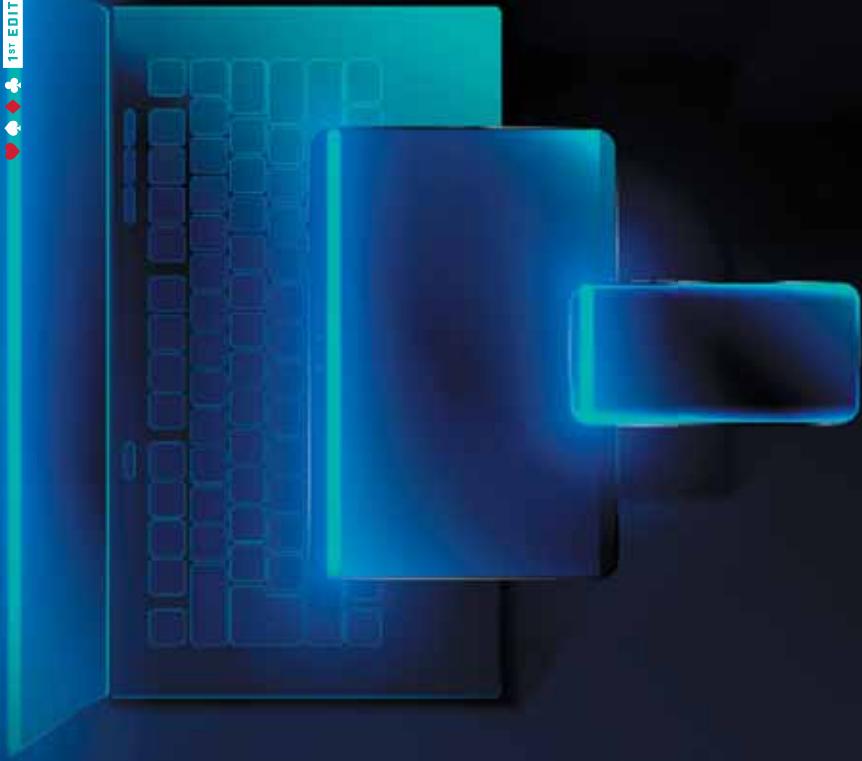
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## How this will work ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Consideration is being given to offering a **reduced rate to Junior players** upon proof of age being provided.
- **Definitive rules regarding this and other matters** will be published on the website in due course.





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# Final HOW WILL THIS WORK UP TO 500 QUALIFY!

THE QUALIFIERS WILL BE INVITED TO THE VENUE OF THE FINAL WITH  
THEIR TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION PROVIDED.

DAY 1

2 TIMES  
4 X 12 BOARDS  
500 PLAYERS  
[PLAYING ON FUNBRIDGE]

DAY 2

2 TIMES  
4 X 12 BOARDS  
NUMBER TO BE DECIDED  
BEFORE THE CUT

DAY 3

FINAL : 52 PLAYERS  
PLAYING ON BBO  
“GENERALI” SYSTEM &  
INDIVIDUAL FORMAT  
(THIS FORMAT IS SUBJECT TO MODIFICATIONS)

# *Cash prize Breakdown*

# **500K US\$**

- \$100,000 (US) to the winner.
- Minimum award of \$1000 (US) to 52nd place\*\*.
- Additional prizes (non cumulative) may be offered to some different categories of players, non registered in any NBOs, juniors, or special prizes for best women and first of their Zone.

\*\* BASED ON A FIELD OF 500 IN THE FINAL



# Relationship between the WBF and the NBOs

## MASTER POINTS

A new WBF Robots Master Points table will be defined taking into account the number of participants. FunBridge will then be able to send each participating NBO the ranking of their individual players to be converted to their own national Master Points.

## REGISTRATION

Players registering to participate will be required to enter their email address and nationality and indicate their acceptance of a Competitor's Commitment including their agreement that this information is shared with the NBO concerned. They will be allocated a unique code number by the FunBridge system.

## FINANCIAL

It is proposed for NBOs already holding a contract with FunBridge that the difference in the income they received in the same 5 months of 2019 (i.e. May – September) and the income generated in those 5 months in 2020 will be reimbursed to the NBOs concerned. Then the balance received by the WBF at the end of the event will be shared between all participating NBOs according to a percentage to be agreed, related, of course, to the number of players in the WOC from the individual NBOs.



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*Thanks!*

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Open to everyone – yes that means **YOU** ! A great event with big cash prizes ... come and join the fun!



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